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STATE OF NEW JERSEY
DEPARTMENT OF LAW AND PUBLIC SAFETY
DIVISION OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS
BOARD OF CHIROPRACTIC EXAMINERS

IN THE MATTER OF THE SUSPENSION
OR REVOCATION OF THE LICENSE OF

Richard F. Farina, D.C.
Licensed No. MC 03061

TO PRACTICE CHIROPRACTIC
IN THE STATE OF NEW JERSEY

Administrative Action

ORDER OF VOLUNTARY
SURRENDER OF LICENSE
TO BE DEEMED A REVOCATION

This matter was opened to the New Jersey State Board of Chiropractic Examiners (hereinafter "the Board") upon receipt of information that Richard F. Farina, D.C. (hereinafter "Respondent") pleaded guilty to an Information charging him with two counts of health care fraud, in violation of Title 18, United States Code, Section 1347, arising from his submission of fraudulent health care insurance claims to insurance companies providing health care benefit programs to subscribers.

Respondent has agreed to pay restitution and the maximum fine under Federal Sentencing Guidelines of \$20,000.00 to the United States. In addition, Respondent has agreed that he will surrender his chiropractic license to the Board and has agreed not to practice chiropractic or seek reinstatement of his license to do so for a period of ten years from the issuance of this order.

These facts establish a basis for disciplinary action pursuant to N.J.S.A. 45:1-21(f) and N.J.S.A. 45:1-21(k). It appearing that Respondent, having agreed as a condition of his federal plea agreement to surrender his license to practice chiropractic and not to apply for reinstatement for a

period of ten years, desires in anticipation of sentencing to voluntarily surrender his New Jersey license, and for good cause shown:

IT IS ON THIS 31st DAY OF August 2001,

HEREBY ORDERED AND AGREED THAT:

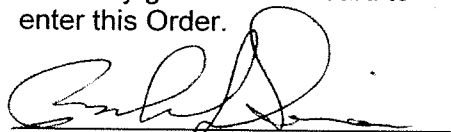
1. Respondent's license to practice chiropractic in this State shall be and hereby is voluntarily surrendered, effective on the date of issuance of this Order, to be deemed a revocation.
2. Respondent shall not apply for, and the Board shall not entertain, the reinstatement of his license to practice chiropractic for a period of ten (10) years from the date of issuance of this Order.
3. Thereafter, Respondent may apply for the reinstatement of his license to practice chiropractic in this State only after he has successfully completed the examination required for initial licensure at that time, as contemplated by N.J.S.A. 45:1-7.1(d), and has appeared before the Board to demonstrate his fitness to resume practice. Any practice in this State prior to said appearance shall constitute grounds for the charge of unlicensed practice. In addition, the Board reserves the right to place restrictions on Respondent's practice should his license be reinstated.


NEW JERSEY STATE BOARD OF
CHIROPRACTIC EXAMINERS

By:


William F. Winters
President

I have read and understand the within Consent Order and agree to be bound by its terms. Consent is hereby given to the Board to enter this Order.


Richard F. Farina, D.C.
Respondent


Gino J. Benedetti, Esq.
Counsel for Respondent

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